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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6604**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 285

**NOTE PREPARED:** Feb 19, 2004

**BILL AMENDED:** Jan 22, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Prescription Drug Labels.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Ford

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Rep. C. Brown

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 2<sup>nd</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**      **GENERAL**  
                                 **DEDICATED**  
                                 **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** No Fiscal Impact

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that a prescription label must include a statement of the purpose or symptom for which the drug is prescribed if the practitioner specifies on the prescription or drug label that the statement is to be included. The bill provides that a practitioner is not liable for failing to inform a patient that the patient has the option to have the purpose or symptom for which the drug is prescribed on the label. It also makes a technical correction.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2004.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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